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DECLARATION OF DR. PHILIP G. CRANDALL UNDER 37 CFR § 1.131

My name is Philip G. Crandall, I am a named inventor on the above-identified patent application and am over eighteen (18) years of age and declare as follows:

The present application is based on three provisional filings, 60/ 134,652 filed 5/18/99, 60/166,773 filed 11/22/99 and 60/212,153 filed 6/16/00, although provisional priority is claimed to only the last two provisionals. Provisional Application 60/ 134,652 filed 5/18/99 was based on an invention disclosure submitted to the University of Arkansas on 11/23/98 redacted copy attached hereto. The invention disclosure documents work performed by the inventors in the 3Q 1997 and small scale runs in 1Q 1998. These dates pre-date the received date of the Gnanasambandam et al. article, which was 30 April 1998. Moreover, I provided critical knowledge to the authors of the Gnanasambandam article in October 1996 prior to their research that resulted in the article.

I hereby declare that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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